

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE .		DATE: February 15, 2006
TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371		U.S. Application No. (if known): 107568393
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.: PCT/JP2004/012242	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE: August 19, 2004	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED: August 19, 2003
TITLE OF INVENTION: SILICA-FILLED RUBBER GRANULES AND PROCESS FOR PRODUCING SAME		
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Applicant hereby submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.		
2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.		
3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 USC 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.		
4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Article 31).		
5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)): a. <input type="checkbox"/> is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> has been transmitted by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US)		
6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto. b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).		
7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) a. <input type="checkbox"/> are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been transmitted by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made.		
8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).		
9. <input type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).		
10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).		
ITEMS 11. TO 20. BELOW CONCERN OTHER DOCUMENT(S) OR INFORMATION INCLUDED:		
11. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98 together with the international search report, PTO/SB/08 and 1 doc.		
12. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. ASSIGNEES NAMES AND ADDRESSES: (1) TOKUYAMA CORPORATION, Syunan-shi, Japan; and (2) ZEON CORPORATION, Tokyo, Japan Please publish the assignee data with the application.		
13. <input type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment.		
14. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 C.F.R. 1.76		
15. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.		
16. <input type="checkbox"/> A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.		
17. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 C.F.R. 1.821 - 1.825.		
18. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).		
19. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).		
20. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: 1 sheet of drawings		

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The following fees are submitted:				CALCULATIONS	PTO USE ONLY
21. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Basic National Stage Fee \$300 22. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Stage Examination Fee If International preliminary examination report prepared by USPTO and all claims satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) \$100 All other situations \$200 23. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Stage Search Fee Search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2) has been paid on the international application to the USPTO as an International Searching Authority \$100 International Search Report prepared and provided to the Office \$400 All other situations \$500 ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT =				\$ 300.00 \$ 200.00 \$ 400.00 \$ 900.00	
Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)).				\$ 130.00	
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TOTAL	8 -20 =	0	X \$ 50.00		
INDEPENDENT	2 - 3 =	0	X \$ 200.00		
Multiple dependent claims(s) (if applicable)				+ \$360.00	\$ 360.00
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =					\$1,390.00
National Stage Application Size Fee-for each additional 50 sheets that exceeds 100 sheets \$ 250.00.					
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SUBTOTAL =					\$1,390.00
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TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =					\$1,390.00
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property +					
TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =					\$1,390.00
				Amount to be: refunded charged	\$ \$
a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$1,390.00 to cover the above fees is enclosed. (\$300.00 for basic national stage fee; \$400.00 for national stage search fee; \$200.00 for national stage examination fee, \$360.00 for multiple dependent claims and \$130.00 for late filing of the declaration). b. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge my Deposit Account No. 50-2866 in the amount of \$_____ to cover the above fees. c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2866.					
NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed to request that the application be restored to pending status.					
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